## Congratulations to the Winners of the Teen Writing Challenge

## Grades 6—8

## 1st Place—Grace Davies

## **Pencils**

I've been passed around from hand to hand
On a journey where I take flight and land
Chewed on, spit out and broken in half
But I am still a pencil at last
Dropped in halls and lost in confusion
I watch as the kids keep on moving
But to someone else, I am something special
Glue me back together and I'm good as new
I've been broken many times
Shoved into sharpeners, erased many lines
Wrote memories down that came from great minds
When you're feeling down in the sadness of the night
Just pick up a pencil and write

